form a grid.

The process according to claim 27, including inserting, as said further linear reinfercing elements, laid down glass fiber varns between said reinforcement and the lear face of the slab linear and sealing the laid down glass fiber varns within said grooves.

32. The process, according to claim 31, wherein said linear rods or bars

have a diameter of 2 to 2.5mm.

<u>REMARKS</u>

Applicant respectfully asks for reconsideration of this application.

Clearly, it should be noted at the outset that at no time did the applicant or his attorney ever indicate a willingness to abandon any of the embodiments set forth in the parent application as filed. The mere fact that applicant and/or his attorney did not claim everything the applicant was entitled to claim does not and never has indicated a willingness to abandon any of the embodiments the applicant is or was entitled to claim.

To meet the Examiner's objections with respect to the claims, they have been re-typed in proper form. The previous claim submission was made to facilitate for both the examiner and the applicant to provide an understanding on the manner in which the claims were amended. Of course, in due course before the Reissue would be allowed, the claims (or application) as amended, would be placed into proper form.

Claims 21-25 were rejected under 35 U.S.C.103(a) as being unpatentable over EP 255,795 in view of Japanese Patent 3-247852 optionally taken with

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